

# In the Middle of Everything



Located in the heart of South Carolina just 45 minutes from Columbia, the state capital, Sumter is an easy drive from some of the southeast's most exciting attractions. The short drive from Sumter to four interstate highways makes it convenient to travel to Charlotte, Charleston or Atlanta. Metropolitan airports in Florence, Charleston and Columbia offer flights to all points of the globe. Sumter even has a municipal airport perfect for small private planes --just the ticket for the weekend pilot.

If staying closer to home is more your style, there are plenty of opportunities for exciting day trips. Ninety minutes east of Sumter, Myrtle Beach is home to miles of emerald-green ocean and powdery white beaches, Broadway shows, nightlife and some of the best golfing on the East Coast. Ninety minutes to the south is the historic port city of Charleston, featuring the very best in fine dining, shopping and splendid historic sites. The capital city of Columbia, 45 minutes away, is home to the University of South Carolina, numerous galleries, museums and theatres and spectacular Riverbanks Zoo & Botanical Gardens.

Even closer is Camden, the state's oldest inland city and home to Revolutionary War Days, the Carolina and Colonial

Cup races, and a wealth of antique shopping--all just thirty minutes down the road.

Outdoor sports enthusiasts will be thrilled with the short drive to the Santee Cooper Lakes, more than 100,000 acres teeming with bass, catfish and crappie. As well as world-class fishing, boating, water skiing, golf and more make the lakes a popular weekend destination.

Other major attractions within a two-hour drive of Sumter include:

- ◆ South Carolina Aquarium
- ◆ Dinner theatre & stage shows at Myrtle Beach
- ◆ Historic homes & plantations
- ◆ Brookgreen Gardens
- ◆ Fort Sumter
- ◆ SC State Museum
- ◆ Major sporting events including NASCAR Racing, NFL Football, NHL Hockey and NBA Basketball

A world of pleasures awaits you when you make your home in Sumter, South Carolina--"in the middle of everything!"



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